

5 October 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant to the Director
for Planning and Coordination

SUBJECT : Semi-Annual Report on War Planning,
1 January - 30 June 1956

REFERENCE : Memo from DCI, 2 June 1955, Wartime Mission of
CIA

1. During the reporting period all offices in the DD/I area reviewed their war plans for currency. No essential changes were necessary. No changes in the original estimates [REDACTED] in budget for the DD/I area in wartime have been made.

2. Close liaison with the War Planners of the DD/P has been established. Contributions were made to War Planning conferences both in Washington and abroad.

3. The major accomplishment of the reporting period was the establishment of the role of the IAC in wartime. The report of the IAC Working Groups chaired by the undersigned and approved by the IAC on 17 April 1956 is attached. The net effect of this report is the transfer of certain "assumptions of the role of the IAC" to a category of "facts bearing on the problem of war planning" for the DD/I offices.

4. Experience has shown that a semi-annual reporting period for war planning is unrealistic. It is therefore recommended that the DCI be asked to amend the referenced memorandum to call for an annual report covering the period of the fiscal year. Thus, this report could be prepared during the time when the annual report of progress of the intelligence community is being compiled for the NSC with a concomitant conservation of effort.

FOR THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR (INTELLIGENCE):

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